

## DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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I believe I am the original first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SECURING MEDICAL INSTRUMENTS TO DESIRED LOCATIONS IN A PATIENT'S BODY the specification of which (check one)

is attached hereto  
 was filed on 9-1-98  
 as US Application Serial Number or PCT International Application Number 09/146,185  
 and was amended on        (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

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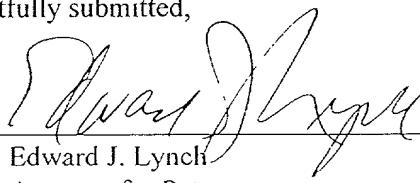
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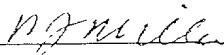
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